REMARKS

The present amendment is prepared in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121. A complete listing of all the claims in the application is shown above showing the status of each claim. For current amendments, inserted material is underlined and deleted material has a line therethrough.

Claim 13 has been canceled.

Claims 5 and 14 have been amended.

No new matter has been added.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants appreciate the allowance of claims 1-4 and 19-22.

The Examiner has also indicated that claims 13-18 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Accordingly, in order to place the application in a condition for allowance, applicants have canceled objected to claim 13 and included the limitations thereof into now amended independent claim 5. Claim 14 has been amended to now depend from amended claim 5.

In view of the foregoing amendments, it is submitted that claim 5, and claims 14-18 dependent thereon, are all in a condition for allowance.

Applicants submit that claims 5 and 14 have been amended, and claim 13 canceled, solely to facilitate expeditious prosecution and allowance of the foregoing application. Applicants are not conceding that the subject matter encompassed by the claims as they stood prior to this amendment are not patentable, and hereby reserve the

right to pursue such claims, and additional claims, in one or more continuing applications.

It is respectfully submitted that the application is in a condition where allowance of the case is proper. Issuance of a notice of allowance is respectfully solicited.

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